

*Shawangunk Nature  
Preserve NUGGETS July 2023*

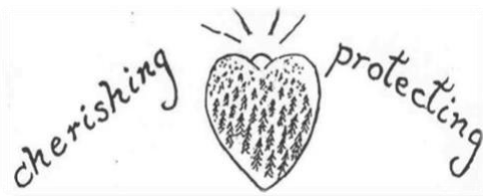
Sunday, July 7, Noon – 1

**HARP CIRCLE CONCERT**  
**At Whispering Pine Lodge, 217**  
**Shawangunk Rd**

Intimately experience music from a trio of harpists playing original arrangements of classical & Celtic tunes.

Bring your lunch to munch on & relax in the field stone fireplace room or adjacent terrace with accompanying music from nature.

No fee required, but donations to the Preserve are welcome.



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**“It is never too late to be what you  
might have been.”**

George Eliot  
(Mary Anne Evans)



Dramatic sunset light recently in SNP



Whispering Pine Lodge

A wild rose has such simple beauty and lovely scent.

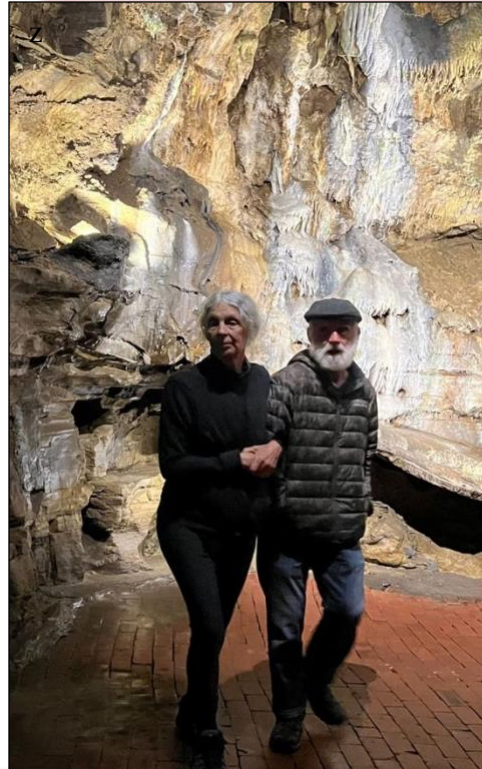


#### FUN PLACES IN CENTRAL NY

Visit the [I Love NY](#) website to discover events and places of interest in NYS. There's always something more to see, or re-visit if you haven't been there in a long time. We recently re-visited Howe Caverns and were delighted! Such a "cool" tour! Our docent/guide had an impressive depth of knowledge and enthusiasm for the wonders of this unique environment which added much interest.

"Never try to discourage thinking, for you are sure to succeed."

*Bertrand Russell*



An interesting visit to Howe Caverns







Canadian Anemone (left) and Starflower (right) are among the many wildflowers that thrive at SNP.



It's unusual for a bear visit to our bird feeders so late in Spring. This one is favoring its right front paw. A hiss from our window scared it away, and we have resumed, bringing the feeders in at night.

### DELVING DEEPER

by *Timothy Hume Behrendt*

from his book, "Cudding With the Cosmos"

Make not a mistake of it; the cosmos is no protected baby's cradle. It explodes, shrinks, inflames, cools, drenches, dries, creates and destroys! But as a cosmic mystic, I ambivalently accept this and awesomely treasure the being of it all!

**"The more you know, the less you need."**

Indigenous Australian Proverb





Paper Rush Basket Class was well attended. Everyone had a great time and went home with new skills and a unique basket.



HUMMINGBIRD MOTH on PHLOX

This curious and beautiful winged creature is called a Hummingbird Moth, an example of Convergent Evolution which refers to two organisms which “look or behave in a similar way, even though they’re only distantly related.” This moth hovers in a similar way to a hummingbird. It has no known bite or sting and is the adult stage of the tomato hornworm caterpillars which can sometimes devastate tomato and other garden plants.